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Agricultural Summary: For the week ending November 28, 2004, corn and grain sorghum harvest made some progress but remained behind average due to weather conditions, according to USDA's Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Snow on Sunday is expected to further delay the completion of harvest. Other producer activities included preparations for winter and caring for livestock.

Weather Summary: Temperatures for the week ranged from 1 degree below to 5 degrees above normals. Precipitation was statewide with amounts received generally less than 40 hundredths.

Soil Moisture and Days Suitable:
Nebraska, Week Ending November 28, 2004

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year [1]	Average [1]
	Percent			
Topsoil				
Very Short	1	3		
Short	18	30		
Adequate	70	63		
Surplus	11	4		
Subsoil				
Very Short	24	28		
Short	37	43		
Adequate	39	29		
Surplus	0	0		
Days Suitable	4.7	3.9		

[1] Historic data not available this late in the season.

Field Crops Report: Corn harvest was 93 percent complete, about two weeks behind last year and average. Harvest was virtually complete at this time last year and for the past five years. Much of the unharvested acreage continues to be located in the Panhandle and southwest counties.

Sorghum harvest was 98 percent complete, about ten days behind last year and average. Harvest is normally complete by this time in November.

Wheat conditions rated 1 percent very poor, 2 poor, 30 fair, 55 good, and 12 excellent.

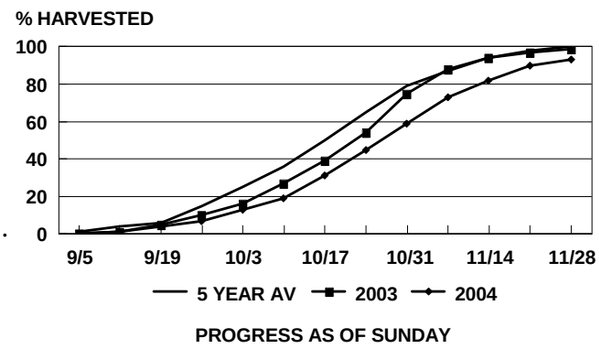
Crop Progress:
Nebraska, Week Ending November 28, 2004

Crop	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average
	Percent			
Corn Harvested	93	90	99	99
Sorghum Harvested	98	93	100	100

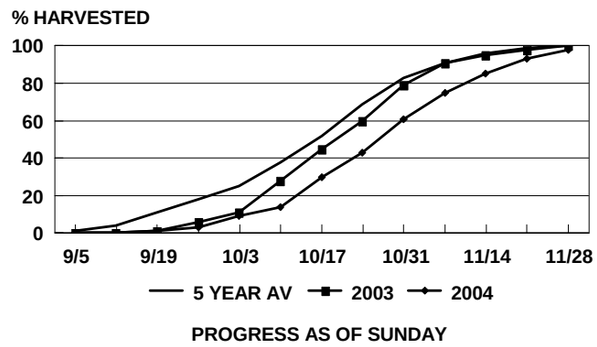
Crop Condition:
Nebraska, Week Ending November 28, 2004

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
			Percent		
Wheat	1	2	30	55	12

CORN



GRAIN SORGHUM



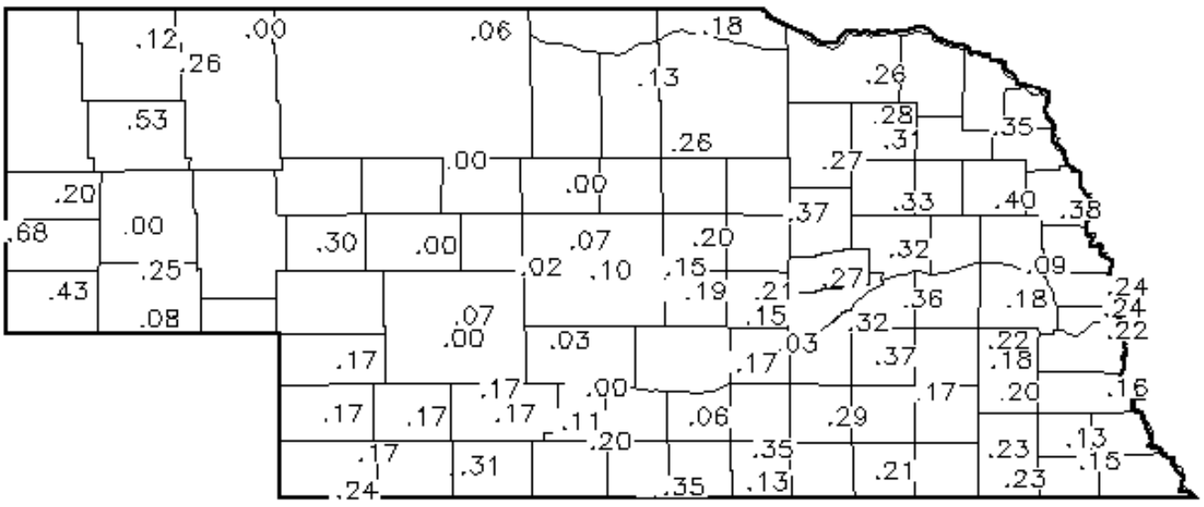
Livestock, Pasture and Range Report: Cattle have been turned out to stalk fields and are gleaning crop residue.

This release is based on data from FSA county directors, county extension educators, NOAA, and the High Plains Climate Center. County comments and reports can be found at: http://www.nass.usda.gov/ne/cropwthr/cmts_cur.htm. For those receiving an e-mail text version of this publication, a complete version including crop progress charts and precipitation maps can be found at: http://www.nass.usda.gov/ne/cropwthr/2004.htm.

Last Weekly Weather & Crops

This is the last Weekly Weather and Crops report for the growing season. A special thank you to the dedicated FSA county directors and county extension educators who supplied the necessary information for these reports. For December through March, we will issue monthly reports. Weekly reports will begin April 4th for the 2005 season.

Precipitation in Inches for Week Ending November 28, 2004



Precipitation: By District, Nebraska, April 1 - November 28, 2004

Item	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week 1	.30	.12	.34	.12	.28	.18	.22	.20
Total since April 1	15.64	19.50	22.82	21.19	20.60	21.04	21.66	20.42
Normal since April 1	14.41	18.72	22.11	20.59	24.44	17.32	20.33	25.72
Total as % of normal	108%	104%	103%	102%	84%	121%	107%	79%

Source: High Plains Climate Center data as of 8:00 a.m.

Temperature, By Location, Nebraska, Week Ending Sunday, November 28, 2004

Station		Temperature			
		Extremes		Average	Departure
		High	Low		
NW	Alliance	57	15	31	-1
	Scottsbluff	57	14	32	0
	Sidney	54	16	31	-1
NC	Ainsworth	59	18	34	+2
	Arthur	59	17	34	+2
	O'Neill	58	16	33	+1
NE	Concord	54	18	33	+1
	Elgin	57	19	34	+2
	West Point	54	19	34	0
C	Grand Island	59	23	36	+3
	Lexington	60	23	37	+5
	Ord	59	20	35	+3
EC	Lincoln	55	24	38	+4
	Central City	59	21	36	+3
	Mead	53	20	36	+1
SW	Champion	62	18	34	+2
	North Platte	61	20	36	+4
	Curtis	61	23	37	+4
SC	Smithfield	60	22	36	+4
	Minden	60	22	36	+3
	Red Cloud	61	26	38	+5
SE	Beatrice	59	20	38	+3
	Clay Center	60	22	36	+3
	Nemaha	59	25	40	+4

Source: High Plains Climate Center.

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